



# Board Bulletin

August 7, 2015

## Annual Performance Summary

Below please find several year-end performance and outcome results from various County departments. The information includes a comparison to last year's results.

Measure	FY 13-14 Results	FY 14-15 Results
<b>Public Utilities</b>		
Avg. work orders per day	10.5	<b>10.8</b>
Accounts maintained	7,818	<b>8,709</b>
Avg. percentage of treated water lost	24.6	<b>21.9</b>
<b>Public Safety</b>		
Avg. response time volunteer fire (min.)	6.1	<b>5.8</b>
Total fire investigations	81	<b>65</b>
Total fire calls (VFD)	2,113	<b>1,949</b>
Total first responder calls (VFD)	6,512	<b>6,794</b>

## FY 14-15 Sales Tax Update

Sales tax revenue for June 2015 (August 2015 report) was \$41,452 (6%) more than May 2015 (July 2015 report).

Further, sales tax revenue for June 2015 was \$63,414 (10%) higher than the same revenue source in June 2014.

When comparing sales tax results for FY 14-15 versus FY 13-14, revenues are up \$780,112 (11.2%).

Based on the difference above, revenues exceeded the budget target by \$685,000. This excess revenue will help offset revenue areas that do not meet target and/or expenditures that exceed the budget target.

Staff will continue to monitor sales tax revenues on a monthly basis and provide updates to the Board.

## Property Tax Collections Update

The tax collection rate in July is typically very low due to the fact that tax bills are not generated and mailed until the end of July.

The rate will increase significantly by the end of August given the 1% discount period. All of the banks and mortgage companies that escrow property taxes are required by law to pay prior to August 30 to take advantage of the discount period.

As of July 31 the real property collection rate was 0.62%. This rate is 0.19 percentage points lower than the reported rate at the end of July 2014 and 0.08 percentage points lower than July 2013. However, tax bills were not mailed until July 30. As a result, most homeowners did not receive their bill until Saturday, August 1 so the only taxes collected at the end of July were pre-paid taxes for FY 15-16.

Active past due tax collection efforts are trending higher through the end of July 2015 versus July 2014. As of July 31, 2015 there were 472 more active past due collections in place as compared to July 31, 2014.

The County's contract tax foreclosure law firm will be filing three (3) judgments with the Clerk of Court if the past due taxes are not paid by August 18, 2015. Once the judgment is filed, delinquent taxpayers will have 90 days to pay or the property will be advertised for sale.

The County collected \$3,236 via the NC debt setoff program for past due taxes in July 2015. As a means of comparison, the County collected \$4,910 via debt setoff in July 2014. This is a \$1,674 (34%) decrease.

## Upcoming Meetings & Events

**Regular Board Meeting**

Tuesday, September 8  
7:00 PM  
Commons Meeting Room